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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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In response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2002, and made final, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.116, Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (twice amended) A method for restricting travel of a moving contact in a lighting contactor, the lighting contactor including the moving contact and a contact carrier, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a spacer;

providing a biasing member;

positioning the biasing member within the spacer such that the spacer extends only around the biasing member; and

installing the biasing member and the spacer in the contact carrier.

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